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Method and Apparatus for Oil Spill Containment	:		

**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2006 (Paper No. 20060917) in the above-identified patent application. This response is being timely filed by January 22, 2007 (January 20, 2007 being a Saturday), in view of the submission herewith of a Petition for Extension of Time (one month). Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows.